

## GENERAL MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

## **Concepts Newsletter 2003**

In the National Park Service (NPS) planning process, we are required to assess a range of management strategies. Each one of these is built around an underlying *concept* that describes a possible direction for the future. These concepts were derived from public input. Five concepts — one no-action and four action concepts — have been translated into specific actions by the application of management zones over the park.

These are preliminary ideas for the General Management Plan (GMP). Each action concept consists of a map and a description of intent along with future actions. This is the first time they have been seen by you, the public. The concepts and management zones may contain some inconsistencies, specific treatments may not be explained, and/or ideas may not be fully

developed. This information is preliminary, and we need your input to fully refine future alternatives and management zones.

Please review the following preliminary management zones and concepts, and check to see if your ideas are reflected. If not, we need to know what we missed so that we can make sure our management zones and alternatives are comprehensive and will allow us to explore the widest possible range of options. (Keep in mind that in a GMP the level of detail will remain fairly broad. For example, the GMP may identify the appropriateness of certain activities such as hiking or camping in general areas of the park but may not identify specific locations or routes).

It is possible that you may like some but not all elements of one concept, or that you

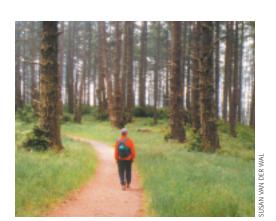
may like a concept but disagree with the way we have translated it by the application of management zones. Maybe you have an entirely different vision that would address Point Reyes issues. We need to know the reasons for your likes and dislikes. With your comments we can reevaluate the number and scope of the management zones and concepts and modify them as necessary. This is the kind of feedback that will help us formulate the best possible future for the parks.

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## The National Park Service Mission

The mission of the National Park Service, as defined by Congress in 1916, is "to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations." (1916 Organic Act)



Please help us update the future of lands under the care of Point Reyes National Seashore. Please review the concepts on the following pages and share with us your thoughts on these preliminary ideas. See back page on how to submit comments.